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From the Californian, March 15, 1848:
The Liberty of the Press consists in the right to publish the Truth, with good motives and for justifiable ends. —Alexander Hamilton.

Thinking Out Loud

By H. M. L.

Nations like individuals have their faults and their virtues. In one person we may find these attributes: greed, generosity ,sympathy, love of power, vainglory, loyalty, patriotism, hatred of restraint. They do not conflict often because seldom does the occasion occur when one attribute must give way to another, or several to one. Tammany Hall the chief obstacle to good government in New York for three quarters of a century or there abouts, had many of these attributes as an organization.

We might go down the line, characterize the Republican or Democratic party, the New England or the Pacific Coast states, by citing various historical achievements or mistakes as indicative of attributes often found in a single individual. Were we to formulate a rule by which to estimate the character or large groups of citizens, it would be that the group takes on the general complexion of its dominant individuals. This complexion changes often or infrequently depending on the changes in the dominant individual factors. For many years, for instance, Hiram Johnson, and his progressive following dominated California. The state became a beacon of enlightenment to its sister states in its bold governmental experiments.

Leadership creates conditions, we believe, rather than conditions create leadership. We are convinced that his is true in a national sense today. Mr. Roosevelt, though he may be the opportunist that many believe him to be, nevertheless, has through his leadership created conditions in the United States as we find them today. He stepped into office in the midst ot a depression and his leadership has maintained us in that depression. Historians will decide when he made his mistakes, and what they were, but the hard fact remains that for six years with a compliant Congress, that eagerly obeyed him, he failed to improve the conditions either for the "forgotten man," or any others.

Having failed to restore anything like prosperity in the domestic sphere, a great many millions of people are singularly distrustful of the President's activity in foreign affairs. The first penny minted after this country became sovereign, was the Benjamin Franklin penny. It bore the motto: "Mind your own business." It is a good precept, and we believe Congress intends to follow it. In the world war, we did not mind our own business, and the error cost us 12 billion dollars in repudiated debts, besides all the youth killed and maimed. We strongly suspect that the reason Congress refused to alter the Neutrality act, was because Congress did not trust Mr. Roosevelt's judgment. While we do not believe the Neutrality act, as it stands, is a very good measure, because it seems to help the Axis powers, more than it does our friends the democracies, nevertheless, Congress believed it better to leave it unchanged for the present rather than give impulsive and changeable Mr. Roosevlt a free hand.

Most of us remember another Democratic President, far more idealistic and far more practical than our present executive, who led us when we waged a war to keep the world safe for democracy. We don't say he put us into the world war, because we remember quite well that Uncle Sam was "rarin' to go". Today Congress and the people are determined that we shall not again make the same mistakes. The more slowly Congress moves in the international field, the less likely we are to become involved.

A good philosophy, one that has its roots in the world war, to govern our thinking, it would appear to this writer, is this: The world does not have to be, and probably never will be safe for democracy. There is room in the world for all kinds of governments. It is the function of every people to determine the kind of government it prefers and to establish it. While we nationally and individually abominate the kind of government which the Russians, Japanese, Italians and Germans have set up, their governments are the kind

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DOVE SEASON OPENS NEXT FRIDAY SEPT. 1

Dove season opens September first. Game Warden Earl Hiscox states there is promise of good dove hunting in the lower sections of Nevada county. Hhe best hunting is expected to be in Penn Valley, Pleasant Valley, Lime Kiln and Spenceville districts. Several Nevada county organizations are planning dove stews. Many hunters in the twin cities have pledged their bags of birds for the stews.

TO ATTEND MINE MEET IN UTAH

Saturday evening the following prominent people left Colfax on the train for a meeting of the Mine Congress in Salt Lake City: Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Bennett, Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Cassidy, Nevada City; Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Sheedy, Downieville; Mr. and Mrs. H. U. Maxfield, Oakland; and Mr. and Mrs. George Hallock. Mr. Hallock will address the convention on "The Revival of Hydraulic Mining."

NEVADA COUNTY TO ATTEND STATE FAIR ON SEPT. 9

Nevada County residents are preparing to attend the State Fair in Sacramento on September 9th, Admission Day in ful force. It is agreed that caravans will come from the towns of Truckee, North San Juan, join a similar group at Nevada City and go on to Grass Valley meeting the caravan there. The whole group will leave Grass Valley at 8 o'clock in the morning. There are 58 counties and only ten days of state fair so the designation of Nevada County Day on the ninth is considered an honor.

HEARINGS HERE ON INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENTS

HEARINGS 0g

George G. Kidwell, chairman of the Industrial Accident Commission, advises that hearings upon local cases coming under the jurisdiction of the commission will be held on the third floor of the county court house on August 30. The cases follow:

Nile vs. State Compensation Insurance Fund, 9:00 a. m. Tietzen vs. State Compensation Insurance Fund, 9:00 a. m. Mathis vs. Idaho Maryland Mines Corp., 10:00 a. m. Wallin vs. Limited Mutual Compensation Ins. Co., 10:00 a. m. Roy E. Ritter vs. Lava Cap Gold Mines, Corp. 10.00 a. m. Richardson vs. Pacific Employers Insurance Co., 1:00 p. m. Rumney vs Pacific Employers Insurance Co., 2:00 p. m. Michael Joyce vs. Golden Center Mines Co., 2:00 p. m. Marlin Young vs. Mrs. Emma Foley, 2:00 p. m.

GRASS VALLEY MINERS WIN CHAMPIONSHIP

The Grass Valley Miners defeated the Woodland baseball team by a 14 to 6 score yesterday on Watt Park in Grass Valley. In the eighth inning the Miners scored eight runs. Barney Ruggles of Nevada City was one of the star players for Grass Valley bagging a double and triple out of four hits. The grand stand was crowded as were also the new bleachers erected for the game and many people were forced to stand. This is the second straight victory for the Grass Valley Miners in the playoff series and gives them the championship in the Sacramento Valley baseball league.

GRIM REAPER CALLS WILLIAM Z. MORTON

Wilbur Z. Morton, aged 76 years and a painter by trade, passed away at the county hospital Saturday evening. His remains are at Holmes Funeral Home and funeral arrangements are pending. Morton came from the Rough and Ready district but has resided in different parts of the county for many years. He is well known and kindly remembered.

BODIES OF AUTO CRASH VICTIMS SENT HOME

Coroner A. M. Holmes took the bodies of Thomas Yeager and his daughter, Mrs. Erma Pancoast, to Stockton, their home city, Sunday evening where they will be buried. Mr. Holmes conducted an investigation into the deaths of Yeager, 55 years, of Omega and his daughter, Mrs. Pancoast, 34, and found that they died as a result of injuries sustained Saturday evening when their car left the road. G. M. Pancoast, 33 years old, husband of Mrs. Emma Pancoast, escaped without injury. He stated he was driving to the Omega mine from Nevada City. He said he was traveling about 45 to 48 miles per hour on the turn where he met oncoming car and was forced to the shoulder of the highway. His car skidded and went over a 50 foot embankment, some distance above the junction of the Washington road and the Tahoe Ukiah highway. The driver of the other car did not stop. The Pancoasts had come up to spend a vacation with Yeager at the mine.

CLAMPERS PLACE PLAQUE FOR JOHN STUDEBAKER

Every person in California, and the neighboring states, was invited to Placerville Sunday, August 27 to witness the unveiling of a memorial to John Mohler Studebaker, followed by a full augmented program to celebrate the day. James Marshall chapter of E Clampus Vitus conducted the program, assisted by the San Francisco, Nevada City-Grass Valley and Auburn chapters of the ancient and honorable order.

Wild Bill Hickok, nephew of the original frontier plainsman; Ben Boulten, son of Bill Boulton famous pony express rider and partner of Buffalo Bill; Dr. Fred Fisher, son of Bill Fisher another equally famous rider of the Utah-Nevada run; Dr. Ergo A. Majors, and his son Ergo A. Majors, Jr.; grandson, and great grandson of Alexander Majors co-founder of the great mail route; Waddell Smith, grandson of the other co-founder of the Pony Express, together with relatives and friends of California's early pioneers were honored guests.

Governor Culbert L. Olson of California, E. P. Carville of Nevada, and former Governor Charles B. Mabay of Utah, were honored guests, and called upon to pay tribute and homage to "Wheelbarrow John of Hangtown." the man who built his own prairie schooner and in 1853, trekked across the plains, landing in Hangtown with fifty cents in his pocket, and went to work making wheelbarrows for the miners. It was with his meager earnings in five years time that he returned to South Bend, Indiana, and established the famous factory that bears his name.

William Gordon Huff ,outstanding and noted sculptor of Treasure Island, whose work appears on the Tower of the Sun, Court of Flowers and Hall of Science, is the artist of the Studebaker plaque, and was present at the unveiling. The bronze casting that he has designed in relief and considered a fine piece of work, is based on an early photograph and depicts vividly the life and vocations of the great pioneer, the founder and builder.

A great celebration was arranged for the day, following the historic ceremonies. Wheelbarrow races were held and hundreds of dollars given away to contestants who entered from all over the west. Dr. L. J. Anderson was in charge of the program. Everyone returned to their homes chuck full of the old frontier spirit.

Scotty Allen, former Dakota frontiersmen and later crowned "King of Scotchmen," mentioned in a Mormon diary as having passed Brigham's brigade pushing a wheelbarrow, who trekked from Council Bluffs, Iowa to Hangtown.

SHOVEL PLACERS PROPERTY

The Shovel Placers placer property near Columbia Hill is in process of reorganization and as soon as it is completed it is hoped the mine will reopen. If it does start it is stated that Mr. McPherson will be in charge of operations.

FINED $10 FOR LACK OF CAMP FIRE PERMIT

E. R. Shotwell, trucker from El Centro, was fined ten dollars in the court of Justice C. E. Smith, Truckee last week for building a camp fire without the proper permit as required by the state law. Shotwell had built his fire in the "Y" where the Lake Tahoe road takes off from highway 40 and was apprehended by Forest Engineer William P. Lee and James Gleaton, protectice assistant at Truckee.

RURAL SCHOOL SUPERVISOR IS APPOINTED

Mrs. Sylva Mosher has been appointed supervisor of rural schools in Nevada county, it was announced this morning by Superintendent of Schools Walter Carlson. Mrs. Mosher was rural school supervisor in Lake county for several years, and brings to her duties here the best of training and experience.

CITY COUNCIL TO CHLORINATE WATER SUPPLY

At a special meeting of the city council Friday evening Lionel C. Davies was selected from a group of fourteen applicants for the position of special officer on the Nevada City police force. He is the son of Councilman Frank Davies and Mrs. Davies and has resided in this city practically all his life. He graduated from the local schools and is known as a young man of sterling character. Chief of Police Garfield Robson will arrange the hours for the two officers under him. Frank Misner is at present working night duty for Officer Jim Allen, who has a two months leave of absence.

W. S. Williamson was the successful bidder in selling a Chrysler Royal four door touring sedan for $1371.06 to the city. The council also approved a chlorination plan for the Nevada City water supply. The members of the council visited Auburn Thursday and decided the same sort of plant used there would be adequate for Nevada City.

BRITISH EMPIRE MUST FIGHT TO MAINTAIN PEACE

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 28.—The British empire is geared to peace, but if it is to survive it must win the present struggle between the democracies and the totalitarian states, believes Dr. Clinton Howard, assistant professor of history on the Los Angeles campus of the University of California.

"The British empire is not organized to police Europe," he said, in a special lecture at the University of Virginia. "Its government is intended to protect commercial and other interests of the empire's citizenry, largely on a peace time basis.

"However, those who govern the empire when its vast resources must be placed upon a war time footing do well to play for time. The strategy must be long term. The interests of the empire are peace; war, revolution and social anarchy undoubtedly harm it. In the long run the empire must win the war if it is to survive —that is so far as any empire wins a war."

Dr. Howard pointed out that England has three traditional defenses which she has used in past history to protect her overseas empire. They are financial power, her navy, and time. In any future armed conflict these will again play an important role, he believes.

"Probably no other empire has undergone as many changes as the British empire," he said. "It is this very flexibility which has preserved it. With each change it has usually gained strength because liabilities were often changed into assets."

Never A Dull Minute At Chamber's Picnic

By CARL STARKEY

The Chamber of Commerce of Nevaa City today can relax and take things easy after a hectic week of preparation and ballyhoo and rest assured that its efforts were not in vain—its barbecue and picnic was a huge success.

There was never a dull moment.

The large number of local citizenry that made the trek to Skillman Flat yesterday were treated to a continual round of entertainment from start to finish, culminating in the culinary efforts of Nevada City's chef de cuisine—Sheriff Carl Tobiassen. If the proof of the pudding is in the eating then sheriff's barbecued beef made a big hit with the crowd, the younger generation at least, for many of them were caught in the act of devouring their thirds and fourths.

The festivities began with a nip-and-tuck softball game between the Antlers and the Native Sons, with the very un-reverent Antlers nosing out California's Finest by the close score of 11-1.

After that fiasco, the program started in earnest. At the conclusion of the rolling pin throwing contest, sympathetic males were heard sighing and murmuring condolences for Harry R. Smith, whose wife had just nailed the wooden effigy of the Great American Husband right between the eyes with the kitchen destroyer. Reports that Mr. Smith had taken to the tall timber were unconfirmed but not without basis.

Admiring wives cluck-clucked admiringly and the head of Nevada county's law-enforcement agency quailed when Mrs. Carl Tobiassen unleashed her powerful vocal cords and rent the air with a mighty. "Carl-l-l-l." She was crowned husband calling champion with no argument. In fact, it is reported that a sniper on the North Yuba by the name of Carl came all the way to Skillman Flat to see what she wanted. Experts were of the opinion that such excellence could only come through practice.

Carrying out the maxim of, "It you don't succeed the first time, try, try again," Harold Sofge, with the aid of two pocketsfull of dirt, a belt, an indomitable will, and plenty of help from the ground finally shinnied to the top of the greased pole and collected the two bucks that were deposited thereon. After exercising all his ingenuity, Sofge finally got the idea of being boosted from below by two huskies with a long pole. Since it was about his fifth try there were no complaints from the multitude about fair play.

The only altercation to mar the afternoon resulted from the pie-eating contest. Disgruntled contestants, disputed the decision on the grounds that the winner, Bob Sharpe, had more blackberry pie smeared on his face than was reposing in his stomach. The judges ruled that since he was the only one that had to wash behind the ears he was morally entitled to first place.

Joyce Berl and Barbara Dunlap, enveloped in a cloud of dust, charged down the back stretch to capture Skillman Flat girl's three-legged derby. A three legged Man-O-War, composed of Warren Smith and Jas. Morrison, beat out a fast field in a photo-finish to win the boy's event.

While the crowd was putting the finishing touches on the barbecued beef, free beer and soda pop, a team of Nevada City softballers started a game with CCC participants. The game was called off, however, because someone broke the only bat. The CCCs hured a challenge into the Nevada City manager's teeth, so the game can be called unfinished business.

Patrons of the picnic were unstinting in their praise of the program arranged by Chamber secretary, H. F. "Si" Sofge. Genial Emmett Gallagher, carefully nursing his cash register and the day's "take", acted as master of ceremonies.

Never a dull moment.

The Chamber of Commerce of Nevada City wishes to extend its sincere thanks to the forest service and to Sheriff Carl Tobiassen and his aides for their wholehearted cooperation at the picnic. It was through their efforts that the picnic was such a marked success.

SCHOOL OPENING DELAYED WEEK

Superintendent H. E. Kjorlie, announced Saturday that for several reasons the local high and elementary schools would not open today but had been postponed until Tuesday, September 5, following Labor Day. The new school bus, purchased for the children, will not be ready for several days. The contractors have not completed a new addition at the high school and it will take all this week to complete it.

Mrs. Eva Flewellen, vice principal at the high school, stated that registration was almost 200, which is slightly lower than last year. Vice Principal Cecil Klee of the elementary school, announced 510 students had registered. A large number of pupils in each school are new students.

The first practice game for football at the Nevada City high school was held on the new field this afternoon. The students are preparing for a lot of practice for the first game in September. Ed. Frantz is coach and drector of physical education at the Nevada City high school.

ANTLERS TO GIVE BANQUET SOON

Nevada City Antlers lodge will give a banquet in September honoring all the men on the high school faculty. Fred Garrison, Jr., was selected as general chairman of the evening. Chairmen of committees are: Tod Bonner, menu and cooking preparations; Phil Angove, reception; Fred Garrison, Jr., program; Norman Kopp, table arrangements; Hobart Childers, fiannce and attendance; Craig Davies, decorations and Norman Ronnigen, advertising and printing.

Phil Angove, one of the original members, who had the position of Leading Antler, resigned at the last meeting because of attending school. Tod Bonner was elected to fill the office and Craig Davies was appointed to take the position left vacant by advancing Davies.

LIGHTNING FIRES KEEP FOREST SERVICE BUSY

Several men have been sent from the Tahoe National forest to assist in extinguishing the fire, which according to reports last night, still is raging in the Mt. Lassen area. The first group to go out by plane were Frank Cozzalio, Robert Logan and Ray Wilde. A second group sent out Friday from Loma Rica airport were Henry Reents, Allan Gracey and Millard Hurst. The third group left at four o'clock Saturday morning by plane and in the party were Ranger F. A. Land. Robert Tucker and Carl Joy.

During the last electrical storm the Tahoe national forest 23 small fires were caused by lightning. One broke out Saturday on the ridge near Blackwood Canyon in the Lake Tahoe area. The blaze was held that afternoon by CCC men from Rubicon state park. It burned over half an acre but due to a strong wind the fire spotted over an area of ten acres.

E. L. Baxter left this morning for the Downieville district on an inspection trip.

DANGER AHEAD!

Only 25 days left to register for the special election, Nov. 7. If you are one of California's million voteless voters, through oversight or misunderstanding, remember this:

If you have never registered REGISTER NOW!

If you failed to go to the polls last year REGISTER NOW!

If you have moved since your last registration— REGISTER NOW!

The deadline for registration is Sept. 28. Register TODAY and VOTE Nov. 7!

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A Shattered Idol

Another Roosevelt myth has at last been shown up for what it really is by none other than the President himself.

It was perhaps the most persistent of all of the Roosevelt myths—that none understood so well as the President the hopes, the fears and the longings of the American people.

Now, in his Hyde Park comments on what he characterizes as his Supreme Court "victory", he inadvertently reveals his complete lack of understanding of the spirit and temperament of the nation. Said Mr. Roosevelt:

'The country is naturally concerned with the attainment of proper objectives, rather than any of many possible methods proposed for the accomplishment of the end!"

It seems incredible that even at this late date the President doesn't realize that the whole Supreme Court controversy was over method rather than objective.

It is amazing that he does not comprehend that there was little, if any, popular objection to a more liberal-minded Supreme Court but that it was the sincere conviction of the American people that if the "packing" method were permitted, the whole nature of our government would have undergone a sinister change.

The doctrine which Mr. Roosevelt now expounds—that the end justifies the means—is the doctrine of every radical revolutionary. It is incompatible with the first principles of democracy that there can be no short cut to objectives at the sacrifice of freedom and liberty.—Contributed.

Republican Plans

A drive for harmony and solid strength in the Republican party in California is indicated following an announcement by Bradford M. Melvin, Chairman of the Republican State Central Committee that he will shortly call a meeting of the executive committee to discuss selection methods for the California Republican delegation to the 1940 Republican national convention.

"I shall shortly call a meeting of the executive committee of the Republican State Central committee for the purpose of considering the manner in which the Republican party shall select the California delegation to the Republican national convention in 1940," Chairman Melvin's terse announcement stated.

The executive committee consists of one member from each of the eighty state assembly districts and twenty members at large, and represents leading Republicans in every part of California.

Under the law, after notification by the Republican national committee of the allocation of delegates to California, it is Chairman Melvin's duty to notify the proper authorities in this state of the number of delegates to represent California at the Republican national convention.

The bringing together of all elements in the party in accordance with the chairman's announcement was interpreted as indicative of a unified party in 1940, at which time many sources believe the Republicans have an excellent chance of success.

Inspired by the optimistic outlook for 1940, groups of Republicans in various sections of California already are making plans for next year's campaign, revolving around outstanding leaders. Chairman Melvin's announcement should avoid confusion that might result from efforts on the part of unofficial groups, in the opinion of political observers. —Contributed.

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they prefer, that is their business, not ours.

The real battle for democracy is being fought today on the home ground, not abroad. This is reflected in the Federal Government's attempt to deport Harry Bridges, the investigation of subversive activities, the preachments of Father Coughlan on the one hand and of Earl Browder on the other, and in the general unrest that arises from a dislocation of economic and political functions. If we can win the fight to preserve democracy here at home, as for instance by halting every attempt at force or coercion on the part of any group against another group, rigorously maintaining our standards of justice, rebuking all usurpation of authority successfully, combatting subversive forces that undermine our government, we shall have done more to make the world follow us in democracy, and to preserve democracy, than years of war could ever accomplish.

If war comes to Europe, as it may at any hour, let us remember that we have no hand in causing it. We are blameless, at least, in so far as any act of commission is concerned. We can help the world most by sternly repressing those forces at home which blindly seek to destroy our liberties. If we can keep the torch of freedom burning, eventually it will light the world.

Shattuck Leiter and two friends of Berkeley spent the past week end in Nevada City visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs C.harles Leiter.

Eddie Towle of Napa came up from Napa and is staying at the Odegaard home and attending high school in Nevada City.

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JUST WONDERIN'

I wonder at the curious ways of humans—
Who act so often without rhyme or reason;
We toil to build some weak, unstable structure
And then condemn it ere another season.
Now, why this present waste of coin and labor?
Surely the blue prints tell the sorry tale;
Then why proceed to build a tottering something
Which by all rules devised is doomed to failure?
Why by all rules devised is doomed to fail?

I wonder why intelligent human beings spend so much time just muddling through. Perhaps the processes of trial and error are most natural to mankind, still we remember that ancient bit of advice, "be sure you're right and then go ahead." Sounds eminently practical and truly foresight is not so costly as hind sight.

Just now the governor's special is headed in our direction and while the voters are deciding whether to accept its cargo of Ham and Eggs or not, I'm wondering why the thing was put on the track before some most necessary information was made available.

There may be some law, man-made or natural, regulating the operation of untimely specials; but why should they be made to run through dense fogs as this one is surely doing.

"If this measure—Ham and Eggs, become a law," say many wiseacres, "it will be declared unconstitutional;" but why take the chance to the tune of unnecessary expenditure of the tax payer's money, brain storms, and the possibility of utter trouble and confusion?

Why didn't the governor ascertain the legality of the Ham and Eggs measure before he set the wheels in motion? He had the plans and specifications as outlined by its proponents; he had access to copies of the State Constitution; he is acquainted with members of the State Supreme Court; why then didn't he take the time and trouble to compare, question, analyze and determine whether or not it was obligatory upon him to start that special, or simply say to the voters of California, "this measure is unconstitutional, would be discarded if passed, therefore, by the power in me vested, I do find it inexpedient to call a special election at this time."

The story of Alberta and other misguided localities where Utopian schemes have spread suffering and disorder, should warn the voters of California. In a time of depression, the end of which is not yet; it is better to build carefully upon foundations already established, than to tear down the entire structure and attempt to rear a fantastically untrustworthy one, which is sure to fall of its own inherent weakness.

I wonder why the higher-ups, who expect to administer Ham ang Eggs, if it becomes a law, stipulate that their very handsome salaries must be paid in real money.

Uncle Silas says: "Hitler wasted much time, energy and bellowing voice in savage denunciations of the communists—and now he is tying love knots! Oh well, he is not the first national leader to employ language for the purpose of concealing his thoughts, ambitions and intentions."

—A. MERRIAM CONNER.

JULY GAS TAX TOTAL $4,779,924

SACRAMENTO, Aug. 28.—Gasoline sales throughout California continued to show substantial gains during the month of July, the State Board of Equalization reported today.

Based on the distribution of 159,330,813 gallons, the tax last month amounted to $4,779,924.39, a gain of $231,777.54 or 5.10 per cent over the same month of the previous year.

The total, however, was slightly under the $4,981,872.75 assessed on June sales.

The July assessment brought the gasoline tax income for the first 7 months of the year up to $30,981,879.77. This represents a gain of $1,325,879.70 over the same period of 1938, the board reported.

Oil companies reporting sales of more than 300,000 gallons in July were listed by the board with the explanation that resale of gasoline previously taxed and exempt sales to the federal government or in interstate or foreign commerce accounted for differences between total sales and taxable sales.

Well-Known Mining Man Takes Bride

It was recently learned here by friends of Leslie W. Noye-Seymour of Los Angeles, that Mr. Noye-Seymour has been married to Elizabeth Fishback of Beverly Hills. The marriage took place July 16, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Pryor, friends of the couple for many years in Hanford. Mr. Noye-Seymour is well known in and around Nevada City, Grass Valley, and You Bet, where he has interests in numerous mining properties.

Mr. and Mrs. Seymour will leave shortly on six months honeymoon trip around the world. They plan to stop at Australia, where they will visit his uncle, Sir Henry Stewart of the upper house of parliament, and in New Zealand, South Africa, and England, where they will visit her uncle Sir David Love of Edinburgh.

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JULY 13, 1939.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Empire Star Mines Company, Ltd., whose Post Office address is Grass Valley, California, has made application for patent for three (3) placer mining claims situate in the Willow Valley Mining District, Nevada County, California, in the Southwest quarter of Section 9, Township 16 North, Range 9 East, Mount Diablo Base and Meridian, described as follows:

(1) MURCHIE PLACER CLAIM, consisting of the South half of the Northwest quarter of the Southwest quarter of Section 9, Township 16 North, Range 9 East, Mount Diablo Base and Meridian.

(2) DUKE PLACER CLAIM, consisting of the North half of the Southwest quarter of the Southwest quarter of Section 9, Township 16 North, Range 9 East, Mount Diablo Base and Meridian.

(3) SAILOR PLACER CLAIM, consisting of the South half of the Southwest quarter of the Southwest quarter of Section 9, Township 16 North, Range 9 East, Mount Diablo Base and Meridian.

That the lands adjoining on the North, South, East and West are patented.

That the location notice for the Murchie Placer Claim is recorded in Book "32" of Mining Claims, page 401, Records of Nevada County, California; that the location notice for the Duke Placer Claim is recorded in Book "32" of Mining Claims, page 396, Records of Nevada County, California; that the location notice for the Sailor Placer Claim is recorded in Book "32" of Mining Claims, page 402, records of Nevada County, California.

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GOVERNMENT NOT YET IN PRIVATE CALIF. BUSINESS

By RALPH H. TAYLOR

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the concluding article in a series of four by Ralph H. Taylor, farm leader and legislatve observer, reviewing enactments and battles of the 1939 legislature.

Government, after the custom of recent years, moved in on private enterprise at the recent session of the legislature—intent on taking over private business in some instances, determined to set up new regulatory laws and commissions in other instances, and in other cases seemingly interested only in securing additional fees from business to operate additional state departments.

But government's campaign to encroach on fields of private industry didn't get very far this year. It came a cropper—apparently due to the fact that both legislators and the public have concluded that business, with all its failings, is more competent to bring about business recovery than government agencies.

The proposals submitted this year, however, were more extreme than any ever presented in California before.

One bill, for example, would have put the state into the banking business.

Another would have given the state a monopoly on the handling of Workmen's Compensation Insurance.

Still yet another (in fact, several others) would have launched the state in the farming business with huge production-for-use experiments to provide for the unemployed.

Then, there was the State medicine proposal, or compulsory health insurance, which would have levied heavy payroll taxes on workers and employers.

There was the scheme to establish a Consumer's Bureau in the State Board of Health, which would have placed drastic regulations on manufacturers of a wide variety of foods.

And there were other proposals too numerous to mention. But the legislature, in almost every instance, voted "No" and there are hopeful indications that the era of expanding government and dwindling opportunities in private business has about run its course.

The theory of a Republic is that the State shall be the servant of the people—not the people the servants of the State. And no depression, no economic upheavel, no matter how serious, should be permitted to change that basic principle, if America is to remain a free nation.

California agriculture asked virtually nothing of the 1939 legislature, except to be let alone. And it received little or nothing in the way of new legislation, except for certain technical and corrective measures applying to existing laws. But, in the final showdown, it was let alone—although not until every farm organization in the state had mobilized its forces and backed up the representations of farm spokesmen.

The farming industry's battles at this year's legislative session, for the most part, were against increasing governmental overhead; against new taxes; against new lop-sided labor enactments; against government-financed farms in competition with privately owned farms; against writing a blank check and handing it to the state's relief administration; against regulation run rampant; against repeal of the Criminal Syndicalism Act and other left-wing proposals playing into the hands of subversive elements; against the lowering of public safeguards to prevent excessive indebtedness; against all unsound and prodigal schemes regardless of their nature.

In short, California agriculture was "on guard!" And in view of the legislation proposed, it was the only sound stand that the farming industry could take.

Very little dangerous legislation was enacted, although more was offered than ever before. But catastrophe might have come to California. In some cases, only a few votes averted it. And people who foot the bills will still need to be "on guard" when the special session of the legislature is convened several months from now. The price of solvency, as well as liberty, is eternal vigilance!

KIDDIES PARTY

Mrs. Clara Scarfe of Boulder street gave her annual kiddies party Saturday afternoon. The neighbors children formed a large group and enjoyed a delightful time on the beautiful lawn at the Scarfe home. Little Ruth Blich played a huge accordion. Her solos of many choice old selections were a delight to the neighborhood as well as passersby who stopped cars to hear the little girl play on the large instrument. Delicious refreshments were served and a joyous time was spent playing games.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Johnson passed through Nevada City Friday enroute to their home, Plum Valley Inn, from Marysville They gave another of those popular dances at the Inn Saturday evening.

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THREE RULES FOR SAFE DRIVING

The Golden Rule, courtesy and common sense in driving were today offered by Chief E. R. Cato, of the California highway patrol, as three guides to safer motoring over the Labor Day holidays, September 2, 3 and 4.

Planning for heavy travel over the holiday when many motorists will bring their families home after a summer vacation in the mountains, he directed his army of traffic officers throughout the state to be especially vigilant for careless and reckless drivers.

Motorists were also advised to plan their trips home early enough, where possible, to avoid the peak hours on heavily traveled highways.

Vacationists who have had their cars in the mountains and at other vacation places and the vehicles have not been used frequently, were cautioned to check tires, battery, brakes and all lights, especially rear lights, before starting the journey home.

"If motorists will observe the Golden Rule, courtesy and commonsense, our deaths and accidents should drop considerably" said Chief Cato. "When we are all careful there will be a happy decrease in traffic casualties."

"All holiday celebrants will find their trips faster and more comfortable if they obey the law. Our officers will enforce the law strictly where drivers show a disregard for the safety of users of our highways. Excuses will be tabu and explanations must be made to the courts when citations are issued."

Speeding, cutting in, driving in middle lanes, crowding others off the highway, and glaring lights will receive special attention from the California highway patrol officers.

GOVERNORS TO LINE UP TO BEAT $30 THURSDAY

By CLEM WHITAKER

During the World War, when American soldiers were on leave in Gay Paree, they frequently tangled with French gendarmes and staged impromptu battles with French veterans home from the front.

In Merry Old England, too, American doughboys, enjoying a temporary respite from battling with the Kaiser's regiments, made life miserable for the British bobbies and engaged in rattling good exhibitions of fisticuffs with British tommies.

But back on the front lines with petty differences forgotten, the American doughboy, the French poilu and the British tommy went over the top together—against a common enemy.

Any member of the A. E. F. will vouch for that bit of ancient tradition, but the story is repeated here because its political counterpart is about to be written in California.

Most any day now, you can expect to find the Democratic high command and the Republican generals (who would gladly slit each other's political throats for the sheer joy of combat) all going over the top, singing the same songs and chanting the same battle crys, to defeat the 30-Thursday pension scheme.

Governor Culbert L. Olson and former Governor Frank F. Merriam will join in statements, in all probability, demanding defeat of a proposal which both feel threaten disaster to every citizen of California, whether Democrat or Republican.

It is not at all unlikely, in fact, that there will be a Parade of Governors, in press and over the radio, featuring Olson, Merriam, Young, Richardson, Stephens, Johnson and Pardee—all forgetting that they were once pitted against each other all fighting the Ham and Eggs program.

That's the stuff that soldiers are made of—and the approaching showdown over the printing press money scheme already has brought Olson Democrats and anti-Olson Democrats, old-line Republicans and stream lined Republicans, labor leaders and employers to the same round table for discussion of ways and means of getting the vote out at a special election to beat the extravagant pension amendment that (they are all agreed) would prostrate business, industry, schools, relief and all governmental agencies.

Former President Hoover and President Roosevelt—as hostile as a French poilu and an American doughboy in a Parisian night club—will probably join hands, as they did a year ago, to defeat Ham and Eggs.

The boys are mobilizing for the zero hour—all past differences temporarily forgotten—and soon you'll be treated to the spectacle of seeing political enemies going into action as political allies.

Miss Margaret Wyant, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wyant of Nevada City, left Thursday for Berkeley and will resume her studies at University of California. This is Miss Wyant's senior year. She is completing a course in anthropology.

VOTERS COERCED BY 30 THURSDAY PROPONENTS

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 28.—A call was sent out today by Clem Whitaker, campaign director for Northern California Citizens Against 30-Thursday, to merchants, labor leaders, public officials and civic organizations to report immediately to the proper authorities if boycotts or intimidation practices are resorted to by leaders of the Ham and Eggs pension movement in an attempt to prevent their opposition to the pension scheme.

"It has come to our attention," said Whitaker, "that promoters of the Ham and Eggs scheme are seeking to inflame their followers to a campaign of intimidation and boycott against those opposing this counterfeit money plan.

"We intend to put an end to these vicious, un-American tactics and several cases involving threats and possible violations of the law already are being investigated.

"No organized minority in California is going to be permitted to terrorize business men and workers and we will appreciate immediate reports on all attempts to use coercion, threats or other illegal processes, either to secure support for the Ham and Eggs proposal or to prevent citizens opposed to it from making known their opposition."

Whitaker called for a united front on the part of all civic groups, business, labor and "all real Californians who want to save the state from disaster" to oppose the printing press money scheme and to stamp out "the campaign of class hatred which its supporters have resorted to."

Typical of the tactics of the Ham and Eggs promoters, Whitaker said, was their recent action in sending 200 of their followers to the offices of the East Bay Municipal Utility District to demand the resignation of Dr. George C. Pardee, head of the district and former governor of California, because he is actively opposing the pension scheme. The directors of the district gave Dr. Pardee a vote of confidence and served notice on the delegation that enactment of the plan would bankrupt the district.

Little Melvin Maguire, local paper carrier and son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Maguire, is still carrying his arm in a cast. He hit a chuck hole while on his way to work recently on his bicycle. He was thrown to the ground and suffered a broken forearm, cuts and bruises. A cut on his forehead required two stitches to close.

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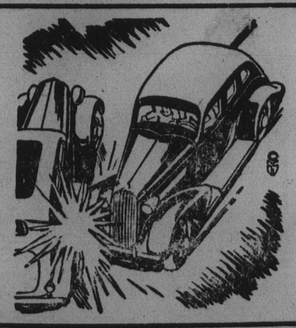
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John Ghidotti, Sr., and Dominic Merzetta motored to Sierra City Friday and visited the summer home built by the former's son, William Ghidotti, and wife in that city.

Personals

Julius E. Ramm of Canterbury was a recent visitor at the home of his sister, Miss Emma Ramm, Grove street.

C. S. Denny, who is with the McGraw-Hill Publishing company, and son came up from Southern California Friday and spent some time in this section. He visited the Zero bright and other mines in this section while here besides calling on several friends.

Fenton Fleming, who came up from San Francisco for a vacation, left Sunday for a week in San Francisco and Treasure Island. While here he arranged to have his old home repainted. It was in this house that Ex-President Herbert Hoover lived when just out of University of Stanford while employed in the Murchie mine.

Mr. and Mrs. Rutherford Stephens and children, Harry; Jim and Miss Catherine Stephens, returned Friday from a delightful vacation along the coast and in the bay cities. They also visited the fair. This is the first trip of Mr. and Mrs. Stephens to San Francisco in several years and they were pleased with the two bridges and other changes.

Mrs. Sadie Rogers, who has been visiting her two sisters and other relatives several weeks in the bay district, accompanied her nephew and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Guenther, to Nevada City yesterday. Mr. and Mrs. Guenther who are on a vacation from Yreka are spending this week in Nevada City with his mother, Mrs. Ida Guenther.

LEST HE FORGET

Louie Davidson, who suffered a severe attack of ptomaine poisoning last week, is slowly recovering which is good news to his many friends.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Neava, restaurant people of San Francisco, and Mrs. Neava's brother, John Pianezzi, spent Friday and Saturday in their old home city. They formerly resided in the old hotel at the Gold Run bridge now an apartment house. John Pianezzi is superintendent of the Santa Rosalie mine, gold and gypsum property in Lower California, old Mexico. He is on a two weeks vacation from the mine.

Mrs. Charles Leiter left this afternoon for the bay district. She will attend Eastern Star Day on Treasure Island tomorrow. The Northern California Grand Officers association will meet at the Buena club house on the fair grounds and a grand ball is to be given in the California building tonight. Mrs. Leiter is a past grand officer of the order.

[illegible], retired mining man, who has resided in Nevada City several years, left Thursday for Los Angeles and from there will continue on to Missouri where he will visit his sister.

Mr. and Mrs. Loren Meservey and daughter of Crockett spent last week with Mr. Meservey's mother, Mrs. W. E. Meservey at Town Talk.

Miss Mabel Main, former Nevada City high school teacher, now teaching in Wasco, arrived today and is visiting Mrs. C. E. Parsons. Miss Main has just completed a tour of the United States. Mrs. Alta Rowe of Sacramento is also a guest at the Parson home.

Miss Florence Meservey of Oakland left yesterday after spending a week at Town Halk with her mother, Mrs. W. E. Meservey and other relatives.

FINGERS MASHED

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Penrose came down from the Relief Hill mine today for a few hours. Penrose is under the care of Dr. W. W. Reed, who is treating two badly crushed fingers. While at work at the mine moving big timbers used in tunnel work his fingers were mashed.

Jean Hawkins to Wed Oklahoma Man

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hawkins of Salem, Oregon, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Jean Hawkins of Nevada City, to Richard DeVilliers of Braman, Oklahoma. The couple will be married at a double wedding ceremony on October 15 as a sister of the bride to be, Miss Eloise Hawkins will be married to M. B. Van Cleave of Salem. Miss Jean Hawkins has resided in this city about two years and is employed as a stenographer in the Tahoe National forest headquarters in this city. She has made a large circle of friends in this city. The groom is to be pastor of the Christian church in Morrison, Oklahoma, and a graduate of Phillips University, Enid, Oklahoma. He is spending his vacation in this city. The couple will leave some time next month for Oregon for the wedding. They will make their home in Oklahoma.

HOME FROM TOUR

Major and Mrs. F. H. Chapman have returned from a motor trip of 4625 miles, calling enroute on many friends and relatives, notably in San Francisco, Hollywood and Yuma, California, Phoenix, Arizona, Kanab and Salt Lake, Utah, Bend and Fort Stevens, Oregon, Seattle, Washington and Victoria, British Columbia, returning via the Redwood highway, their 1933 Ford car made an average of 26 miles per gallon of gasoline. A stop was made in Mt. Rainier National park, which about completes the list of all parks in the west visited by them.

NOTICE TO FUEL OIL DEALERS

Sealed bids for furnishing fuel oil to the Nevada City Elementary School (tank capacity 3,000 gallons) and the Nevada City High School (tank capacity 9,500 gallons), for the season October 15, 1939 to July 1, 1940, inclusive, will be received by the undersigned on or before 8:00 p m. Monday, September 11, 1939.

Oil must conform to the United States Department of Commerce Standard C. S. 12-35 grade No. five (5) and bids must specify a guaranteed price per gallon, or per 42 gallon barrel, delivered in tanks at the respective school buildings in Nevada City, California, as needed. Bids must be delivered to P. G. Scadden, Clerk, on or before 8:00 p. m., Monday, September 11, 1939.

Further information may be obtained from P. G. Scadden, Clerk, or from H. A. Curnow, Bank of America, Nevada City, California.

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Dated August 28, 1939.
Nevada City, California.
Aug. 28, Sept. 4, 11.

NEVADA CITY OF 1884 PROSPERED

NEVADA CITY IN 1884
Contributed by H. P. Davis

The Nevada Daily Transcript's Annual for 1884 estimated the total gold production of Nevada County, to this date, as placer mines $111,000,000, gold quartz mines, $60,000,000, a total of $171,000,000, and stated that the annual production exceeded $3,500,000.

The Annual for 1884 says of Nevada City:

"It has one of the best systems of water works in the state, planked streets, lighted at night with gas (which is very generally used by citizens as an illuminant), ten schools well graded and under efficient management, a fire department consisting of two companies owning their own halls, a theatre capable of seating 600 people, a military company owning an immense armory that is frequently used for dances and public gatherings, numerous religious and secret organizations, and all the other institutions that are generally found in a thriving and enterprising city. The community principally derives its support from the mining industry, hydraulic and quartz being the branches carried on in the immediate vicinity, while drifting is also pursued to some extent a few miles distant.

The deepest mine is Providence, now working at a depth of 1100 feet and there finding very heavy and rich deposits."

The population of Nevada City was about 6000.

In the Nevada City District, in 1884, the principal gold-quartz mines in operation included:

Providence, 40 stamps. Depth 1100 feet.

Merrifield, 30 stamps. Depth 900 feet.

Wyoming, 16 stamps. Depth 700 feet.

Mountaineer, 10 stamps. Tunnel 700 feet.

Champion. Tunnel 1800 feet.

Nevada City, 20 stamps. Depth 750 feet.

Murchie, 18 stamps. Depth 700 feet.

Mt. Auburn, 10 stamps. Depth 600 feet.

Chapman Ranch, 10 stamps. Tunnel.

Pittsburg, 10 stamps. Depth 800 feet.

Charronat, 10 stamps. Depth 700 feet.

Martin and Mitchell, 4 stamps. Worked by tunnel.

At the Deadwood, in Willow Valley, with an eight stamp mill, the Thomas (New England) with a ten stamp mill, the Banner, and the Sneath and Clay (with ten stamps) operating at this time were suspended. Several other small mines were in operation and at the Pioneer Chlorination works at Gold Flat 10 stamps were in operation.

At Grass Valley in 1884 the principal quartz mines included the Idaho, New York Hill, Hartery, Empire, Peabody, Gold Hill and Rocky Bar.

VACATION

H. F. Sofge, secretary of the Nevada City Chamber of Commerce, and son, Harold Sofge of Sacramento, left this evening for Lake Tahoe where they will spend this week on a vacation. Bob Tamblyn of this city will look after the affairs of the Chamber of Commerce while Mr. Sofge is away.

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